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CORONA Progress Meeting 15-17 Sept 1958

*WS-117L (Senting + CORONA)*

Discussion and acceptance of new cover plan.

Suggested designation of the THOR phase of WS-117L as a separate effort with its own publicity plan.

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CFQ L/C, Trip Report

Col. Sheppard agreed that there shld be a document which formalizes the relationship of the Project, BMD and PACC. It shld include as many of the aspects of Hqs' policy as is appropriate. Neither he nor L/C Mathison (Cdt PACC) took any exception to the position that Project Headquarters shld have complete opnl control as regards timing of launches and target weather considerations. This point was also appreciated and accepted by Jim Plummer of LMSD. ....A draft of a "Letter of Understanding" will be prepared and coordinated with the staff prior to the next visit...

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At the 15-17 Sept. progress mtg✓, the COR firing schedule had slipped a month, first firing set for April 1959.

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ARPA had raised questions on type of rqmts COR was to fulfill. RMB said "Pioneer Reconnaissance" versus refined intelligence. Original concept was CORONA would first use 6-inch focal length camera to be followed later by more refined camera system using 36-inch focal length. D/Ops (AES) requested to run a study, possibly consider with ARC, the targeting for CORONA. ✓

NRO review(s) completed.

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